(a) the number of ex-servicemen specialists-Radiologists absorbed in CHS on transfer from Himachal Pradesh from 1989, till date;

(b) whether any representation has been received in this behalf;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action Government have taken or propose to take in this regard and by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM): (a) No Specialist of Radio-Diagnosis has been appointed by transfer on absorption basis in Specialist Sub-Cadres of Central Health Services.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

**Condition of Medical Colleges in Assam**

3706. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WEFLARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government and Medical Council of India have taken any steps to look into the causes of delay and irregularities in admissions to Post-Graduate Courses in Medical Colleges of Assam;

(b) whether Government are aware of the fact that there are existing deficiencies of equipment in medical colleges of Assam, especially in Silchar Medical College;

(c) whether Government have any plans for allocation of additional financial assistance to fulfil the deficiencies for as vital a sector as health in Assam; and

(d) if so, the details threof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM): (a) Admission students to post-graduate courses in all the three medical colleges of Assam (except for the 25% of the seats reserved for the candidates qualifying on the basis of all Indian Entrance Examination is rgulated by the Govt. of Assam as per rules framed by the State Government. A representation was received from students regarding delay in admission to post-graduate courses in medical colleges in Assam and the Sate Government was requested to look into the matter. The Medical Council has no information on the exact date of starting of post-graduate courses in Assam.

(b) The following medical colleges in Assam were inspected by the Medical Council of India during the years mentioned below:—

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| 1. Guwahati Medical College, Guwahati | — | 1996 |
| 2. Assam Medical College, Debrugarh | — | 1997 |
| 3. Silchar Medical College, Silchar | — | 1997 |

According to the inspection reports there are no major deficiencies of equipments in medical colleges in Assam.

(c) and (d) There is no scheme in this Ministry to provide financial assistance to State / Private owned medical colleges in the country; including Assam.

**Health Centres in North Cachar Hills**

3707. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of primary health centres/hospitals/ dispensaries proposed to be set up in the North Cachar Hill areas of Assam during the next three years; and

(b) the places identified for establishment of those health centres and hospitals during 2000-2001 and 2001-2002?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM): (a) seven PHC are proposed to be set up by the Government of Assam in North Cachar District under Non-Lapsable Central pool of Resources for the year 1999-2000.

There is no proposal to set up hospital and dispensary in North Cachar Hill District at present.

(b) The places identified for establishment of PHCs in North Cachar Hills are as follows:—

(i) Dehingi
(ii) Hangram
(iii) Hajudisa
(iv) Jhaijuri
(v) Motikhali
(vi) New Sangber
(vii) Jirighat.